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**NEWS,
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Communication.

EDITOR ESTANCIA NEWS:—

The Republican Territorial Central Committee says that Senator Andrews does not own the Salt Lakes. If so why should his Saline Highness issue orders that everybody now have free salt? This is great because just at present, all the salt lakes are full of water and the salt is in fluid form. However anyone is now at liberty to go over there and fill his tank and then lay out in the sun until it crystallizes and in that way get enough to do him until another election. Electioneering is dry work and some think they can't vote without something to drink. Well here you are. There is plenty of it. The senator has ordered the winchesters laid aside and there is no one to stop you. Drink heartily and cast a vote that will help the senator up Salt Creek.

Our saline friend is entitled to a whole lot of consideration from Estancia Valley: 1st, His enterprising companies came near getting their grab on all the land in the whole grant. Ask yourself what kind of a delegate he would have been then. Would he have represented our interests or the interests of his companies?

2d, Ask yourself if it is not possible that his companies have now something in sight bigger even than the Estancia grant.

B. S. Rodey was our delegate at that time and saw through the rottenness of the scheme and refused to be a party to it.

3d, It has been said that New Mexico owes the Saline Senator his honor in return for the capital his companies have brought into the territory. Well now, let's consider this:

They have a franchise for their line free from taxation as long as the company is doing construction work in the territory, which means that the building of a switch will be construed as construction work and they will never pay a cent of taxes until forced to do so.

They have secured coal, iron and other mineral lands of great value.

These companies are construction and development companies. They are here for a few days only. They are building for the purpose of selling out and they are looking for \$50. return for every one dollar invested.

It is reported that they have already been offered a handsome profit on their investment but that they are holding out for more.

One thing is certain, they are getting a full Dollars worth for every Dollar they invest and that leaves the people owing them nothing.

Their freight and passenger rates are at the top notch. A man can make good wages walking at 6 cents per miles. Merchandise can be hauled by teams the full length of their line for less than their freight rates.

Now Mr. Ranchman, how much do you owe them?

There is however one thing above all others that the common people should consider and that is that this salty Senator is a corporation man, first last and all the time. The corporations and trusts are running this government now and between the money trusts and the labor trusts, we the "stay-at-homes" the common people are having the bills to pay. We bear the taxes, but are not represented. The railroad is a good thing. I want to see them

TOWN TALK.

Burt Miller has been laid up this week with a piece of steel in his eye. He is at work again now.

Raymond Carlisle was called to his home in Santa Fe by the serious illness of his sister Tuesday.

Lon Atkinson began the erection of a cottage for A. H. Cox on his ranch. Mr. James Walker is also building a cottage.

Mr. Frank Dibert was down from Santa Fe yesterday making the boys happy with their September checks.

Phil J. Martin of Santa Fe is proud of the arrival of a fourteen pound boy in his home this week, according to the New Mexican.

John W. Corbett of Mountainair, candidate for clerk of the Probate Court was an Estancia visitor Wednesday on personal business.

The boys in the local shops are working fifteen hours per day now, rebuilding Engine 2, besides keeping up with the regular work.

Mrs. J. A. Harris has been confined to her home since her return from Albuquerque. We are glad to report that she is improving.

Dame Rumor has it that the Wedding Bells must be dusted and ready for use in Estancia next week. We're in readiness and are waiting, Bob.

Mr. Rose of Santa Ana, Calif., is here looking over the valley with a view to settlement. He is well impressed with the country and its possibilities.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil J. Barber returned Tuesday from Santa Fe, where Mr. Barber has been recuperating. All are glad to see Phil back and also to see him improved.

Mr. McGill returned to his home in Santa Ana, Cal., the first of the week, after prospecting around the valley. He is well pleased and may decide to make this his future home.

J. P. Kennedy, our local agent, is smacking his lips in anticipation of that Thanksgiving Turkey he intends eating with mother in Chicago. We envy him his trip to the States.

A herd of 500 goats was driven through town Wednesday from Bandera, Texas, on their way to the range at Aztec, San Juan Co., this territory. They were in good condition and seemed well fed.

A great deal of fencing has been done among the ranchers recently. The roads are being laid on the section lines, as they should be. It is causing some inconvenience just now, but the roads are where they belong.

Saturday evening of last week a number of Estancia young people enjoyed a pleasant dance under the leadership of J. W. Records. Several hours were passed in tripping the light fantastic and all report a good time.

J. C. Padley arrived on Wednesday's train to relieve J. W. Records, Master Mechanic of the Santa Fe Central, temporarily, who left yesterday for Chicago where he will inspect engines prior to their purchase.

Agent Kennedy has had troubles of his own. The combination on the safe refused to "combine" and J. P. was without his cash. The safe was shipped to Santa Fe where an expert will investigate. There is such a thing as having a thing too safe.

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I may have to pay for my seat but I will never vote for Sal Andrews.

Yours,
COLO RADO TORO

Mountainair Murmurings.

Jose M. Chavez of Cienega, has lost another son from diphtheria.

Dr. J. M. Michaels of Torrance; was in Mountainair this week on private business.

Geo. V. Hanlon was up from Abo Canyon this week. He will be up again in November to vote.

Mrs. Mary J. Muncie, who has a homestead near Eastview left this week for Arizona when she will spend the winter.

Espiridion Lueras of Progreso, made final proof in support of his homestead this week before U. S. Court Commissioner John W. Corbett.

Politics is the all absorbing subject in this vicinity and there is no relief in sight until after the election. Then it is hoped business will have another inning.

After several vexatious delays in starting on account of washouts, Mrs. W. A. Dunlavy of Willard, finally reached California, where she will spend the winter with her mother, in safety.

W. F. Bartell, the Mountainair merchant has secured a team and light wagon and will do his own hurry-up freighting. He is getting ready to make a trip to Albuquerque.

The postoffice at Red Cloud eight miles below Mountainair has received its supplies and is now in running order with Jose D. Ballejos as postmaster. It is a special office and is served from Mountainair.

Wendell V. Hall and Duane Wheeler, deputy U. S. Surveyors are doing their part toward the development of this valley. Mr. Hall is surveying the Manzano grant and the fractional township east, and Mr. Wheeler is surveying the township in which Willard is located. They will both complete their work in a few days.

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